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1. In early December 1950 the Chinese Communists were building a large airfield at Hashih (哈什)*, Sinkiang Province.
2. In early December 1950 the Chinese Communist 1 Army Group was disposed as follows:
 - a. Headquarters - Urumchi (87-35, 43-48).
 - b. 1 Army - Hsining (101-49, 36-37), Tsinghai Province.
 - c. 2 Army: main force at Sulo (76-09, 39-24); 1 Division at Khotan (79-55, 37-07).**
 - d. 5 Army: main force at Ili (80-51, 44-03); other elements at Kashgar (75-59, 39-37).
 - e. 6 Army: main force at Urumchi; other elements at Karashahr (86-34, 42-04).****
3. The 22 Army Group, reorganized from the former Nationalist 42 and 78 Armies, 1 Cavalry Division and 4 and 9 Cavalry brigades, with headquarters at Kashgar, consists of the following units:
 - a. 9 Army - Karashahr area.*****
 - b. 7 Cavalry Division - Ch'it'ai (09-28, 44-03)
 - c. 8 Cavalry Division - Soch'e (77-16, 38-24).
4. Also in Sinkiang Province in early December 1950 were independent cavalry, artillery and "pioneer" units whose locations are unknown.

* [] Comment. Hashih could not be identified.

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[redacted] Comment. [redacted] in mid-December 1950 the headquarters of the 6 Army was at Urumchi.

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[redacted] Comment. The 6 Army is subordinate to the 2 Army Group; the 1 Army Group comprises the 1, 2, 5, and 7 Armies.

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[redacted] Comment. This may be in addition the 9 Army, 6 Army Group, reported at Hami (93-27, 42-48) in early November 1950.

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